

Amendment No. 1 to SB3246

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 3246*

House Bill No. 3874

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3009, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

(c) As an alternative to prosecution for a Class C misdemeanor, at the prosecutor's discretion, parents, guardians or any other person, who has control of a child or children against whom a petition of truancy has been brought for being absent more than five (5) days during the school year, may participate in parent education training and parent-teacher conferences. The prosecutor may provide the parent, guardian or other person with the option to participate in such alternative program prior to filing the criminal charge. Failure of the parent, guardian or other person to timely respond to such option shall result in the revocation of the option and immediate filing of the criminal charge.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.